If it is accepted we will have to face many other inconvenient shiftings Therefore the principle itself has to be objected to. Apart from the question of the geographical situation of the locality we have to consider various other aspects. We will have to think of the big investments made in Quilon in commerce and industry. People from various parts come to and go from Quilon in great numbers. Another honourable gentleman said that the rents in Quilon are much higher than in Mavelikara and at Mavelikara houses could be got at cheaper rates. But Sir, I am of the view that even for higher rents it is impossible to get suitable buildings at Mavelikara. Therefore Sir, I can only admire Mr. Narayana Pillai's local patriotism and I hope that his constituency would consider this with due respect and thanks. But in the interest of the public of Travancore, I would certainly object to any idea of shifting the Governmental headquarters from Quilon.

MR. M. R. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know the purpose of Division Cutcherries ?

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI: As the honourable member is educated enough to know the purpose of Division Cutcherries I do not think it necessary to enlighten him further.

MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP: Sir, I would be failing in my duty to my constituency which extends from Thottapally to Aroor if I do not support this motion. The leader of the nationalist party was trying to convince us that a shift of the head-quarters of the Division from Quilon would sink Quilon into the back-waters, and stressed upon the greater importance of Quilon by a comparison that ships would not go to Mavelikara or the trains would not pass through it. Sir, these reasons are quite unconvincing. The comparison drawn by Mr. Kainikkara Padmanabha Pillai is very odious. If the importance of Quilon will be diminished by the shifting of the Division Cutcherry to Mavelikara, I think, the importance of Kottayam is nothing because of the fact that ships cannot approach Kottayam or the train cannot pass through that town. If the convenience of a majority of the people is taken into consideration the proper place for the head office of that Division is Alleppey where according to Mr. Padmanabha Pillai ships can come and go, and the train can be extended and where other industrial conveniences are existing. Therefore in my view, Sir, Mavelikara is more suitable to house the headquarters of the Division Office of Quilon Division, if it cannot be shifted to Alleppey. With these words I support the motion tabled by Mr. Narayana Pillai.

PRESIDENT: The House will now adjourn to meet again at 2 O' clock.

[The House rose for Lunch at 1 p. m. and re-assembled at 2 p. m.]

MEMBER SWORN.

Mr. I. C. Chacko (Executive Engineer, in charge of the duties of the Chief Engineer), took the oath and signed the rolls.

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